

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 3351

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, PEPR, KS, UR, US

SUBJ: KAL AIRCRAFT: PROTECTION OF PILOT AND NAVIGATOR

1. LATE AFTERNOON APRIL 23, W.S. KIM, DIRECTOR MOFA'S SECOND EUROPEAN DIVISION, CALLED POL COUNS STATING HE WAS CALLING ON INSTRUCTION OF FOREIGN MINISTER KIM. KIM POINTED OUT THAT TWO KOREAN NATIONALS, PILOT AND NAVIGATOR OF DOWNED KAL AIRCRAFT, WERE BEING HELD IN THE USSR. SINCE THE ROK HAS NO DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE USSR, IT WAS REQUESTING, UNDER ARTICLE 46 OF THE VIENNA CONVENTION, THAT THE UNITED STATES UNDERTAKE PROTECTION OF THESE TWO KOREAN NATIONALS.

2. KIM STATED THAT REQUEST HERE WAS BEING MADE ORALLY. AMBASSADOR KIM IN WASHINGTON HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MAKE SAME REQUEST DIRECTLY TO DEPARTMENT, AND TO TAKE ANY FORMAL STEPS REQUIRED.

3. POL COUNS SAID HE WOULD TRANSMIT REQUEST.  
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